

State of Arizona

Acupuncture Board of Examiners

November 2008 **Newsletter**

Mission Statement: The mission of the Arizona Acupuncture Board of Examiners is to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Arizona by regulating and maintaining standards of practice in the field of acupuncture.

Acupuncture Board of Examiners

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Board Staff:

Pete Gonzalez Executive Director

Board Meetings for 2008

January 23, 2008 February 27, 2008 March 26, 2008 April 23, 2008 May 28, 2008 June 25, 2008 July 23, 2008 August 27, 2008 September 24, 2008 October 22, 2008 November 25, 2008 December 15, 2008

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Did you change your office or home address or get a new telephone number?

Please remember that AAC R4-8-103 requires that every person holding a license or certificate shall, within **30 days**, notify the Board <u>in writing</u> of any change in mailing address (giving both the old and the new address), email address, or residential, business, or mobile telephone numbers.

The required form is found on the Board's web site under the "Forms" section.

Welcome Aboard New Acupuncture Licensees

January 2008

Julia A. Eastman, L.Ac.	David C. Chang, L.Ac.
Sung Hyun Cho, L.Ac.	Richard W. Ruth, L.Ac.

February 2008

Cheryl Sheriff, L.Ac.	Qing Zhu Zhang, L.Ac.
Angelica L. Gomez, L.Ac.	

March 2008

Darren K. Brooks, L.Ac.	Noura L. Eleid, L.Ac.
Heather A. Horne, L.Ac.	

April 2008

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Kimberly A. Kleiman, L.Ac.	Lecia M. Novack, L.Ac.	
Scott R. Smith, L.Ac.	Victor L. Fomo, L.Ac.	Sylvia O. Sta
Jamie M. Koonce, L.Ac.	Michael J. DeVoney, L.Ac.	251114 3124
Zhen Liu, L.Ac.		
		Celeste J. Ru
	2008	
Jose A. Montoya, L.Ac.	Joseph P. Dudley, L.Ac.	
Naomi R. Richman, L.Ac.		None.
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Kerry A. Denslow, L.Ac.	2000	Taruno Steff
July	2008	
Chao Cho Chen, L.Ac.	Pei Jung Kuo, L.Ac.	Heather A. N
Avi P. Fine, L.Ac.	Mark C. Woods, L.Ac.	
Adam D. Da Virro, L.Ac.		
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Helen Chen, L.Ac.	st 2008 Dorion T. Simmons, L.Ac.	Natividad Ca
Suzanne Gaynor, L.Ac.	Henry Hom, L.Ac.	
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Zita A. McCoig, L.Ac.	Patrick P. Patten, L.Ac.	7 torunarii va
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Jodi M. Kapla, L.Ac.	Nancy A. Brem, L.Ac.	
Paul A. McElderry, L.Ac.	Harris E. Weberman, L.Ac.	
Mary E. Maurer, L.Ac.	Joyce B. Kocourek, L.Ac.	
Adrian W. Hillyer, L.Ac.		
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Sondra Lynn, L.Ac.	Rachel G. Weaver, L.Ac.	
Shannon D. Matwick, L.Ac.		
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Kenneth S. Phelps, L.Ac.	Terry M. Rullie, L.Ac.	lists (for co
Ellen Wisewoman, L.Ac.	Zhi Yan Lu, L.Ac.	\$50.
Frederick W. Ehmann, L.Ac.		Ψ50.
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Sylvia O. Stanton	
	Acr. 2009
	May 2008
Celeste J. Rubio	Joseph R. Wantland
J	une 2008
None.	
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Taruno Steffensen	Andrea M. Fry
Αι	ıgust 2008
Heather A. Newgaard	Babak Nayeri
Sept	tember 2008
Joyce C. Perot	Cynthia M. Potter
Natividad Cano	
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Abraham Varelas	Erica Beca
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Board Actions

At the January Board meeting, the fee for the sale of lists (for commercial purposes) was increased to \$50.

The Board will be conducting an audit of compliance with the continuing education requirement beginning with the July 2008 license renewals. This year long audit will select a random survey (15%) of licensed acupuncturists.

Approval of Acupuncture Program

The Board approved the Acupuncture Program of the Acupuncture Center of Naples/Florida Health Academy (now closed) and the Washington College Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine at the January 23, 2008 meeting. The Board approved the Acupuncture Program of the Academy of Classical Oriental Sciences located in Nelson BC, Canada. at the July 23, 2008 meeting.

Complaints

No complaints are pending.

Approved Continuing Education Course Information

None at this time.

Note: The CEU's listed above are <u>only</u> those approved by the Board. Additional CEU offerings are provided by schools of acupuncture, private providers, and national organizations.

Board Rules

The Board completed its review of its rules and the new rules were approved by the Governor's Regulatory Review Council (GRRC) on February 5, 2008 and will be effective in 60 days. The Board web site has a link to the new rules. **The Board is encouraging all licensees to review the new rules.**

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A new state law requires that a person applying for a license or renewing a license must submit documentation to the licensing board that satisfactorily demonstrates that the applicant is lawfully present in the United States.

Web Page Updates

The Board's website now includes the ability to download documents associated with practitioner disciplinary actions.

Recent Legislation

HB 2019—board continuation bill—was signed by the Governor on April 11, 2008. This bill continues the existence of the Board until July 1, 2018.

HB 2620—budget adjustment; fiscal year 2007-2008—was signed by the Governor on April 18, 2008. This legislation enacts the fund sweeps of state agencies, boards, and commissions. The legislation sweeps

\$100,000 from the Board's fund in the current fiscal year.

HB 2209—budget adjustment; fiscal year 2008-2009 was signed by the Governor on June 27, 2008. The legislation sweeps the funds of state agencies, boards, and commissions. This bill sweeps \$88,300 from the Board's fund to the state general fund.

A proposal to consolidate health profession licensing boards has been presented by the Governor.

License Statistics

Current Number of Active Licenses: 470

Current Number of Active Auricular Certificates: 57

License Applications in 2008: 55 License Applications in 2007: 55 License Applications in 2006: 55

Certificate Applications in 2008: 14 Certificate Applications in 2007: 23 Certificate Applications in 2006: 24

Number of Licenses issued in 2008: 49 Number of Certificates issued in 2008: 15

Number of Licenses issued in 2007: 55 Number of Certificates issued in 2007: 23

Number of Licenses issued in 2006: 57 Number of Certificates issued in 2006: 22